

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An electronic device comprising:  
a substrate; and  
a dielectric layer disposed on the substrate, the dielectric layer containing a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with a lanthanide, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with the lanthanide contains oxygen in addition to oxygen in TiO<sub>x</sub> has an oxygen content supplemented during formation of the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with the lanthanide by ion-assisted electron beam evaporation.
2. (Original) The electronic device of claim 1, wherein the lanthanide has a concentration in the dielectric layer of between about 10% and about 30% of the dielectric layer.
3. (Original) The electronic device of claim 1, wherein the dielectric layer has a dielectric constant ranging from about 50 to about 110.
4. (Original) The electronic device of claim 1, wherein the dielectric layer has an equivalent oxide thickness (t<sub>eq</sub>) in the range from about 1.5 Angstroms to about 5 Angstroms.
5. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) An electronic device comprising:  
a substrate; and  
a dielectric layer disposed on the substrate, the dielectric layer containing a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Nd, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Nd contains oxygen in addition to oxygen in TiO<sub>x</sub> has an oxygen content supplemented during formation of the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Nd by ion-assisted electron beam evaporation.
6. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 5, wherein the dielectric layer has a Nd doping of between about 10% and about 30% of the dielectric layer.
7. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 5, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Nd has

a dielectric constant ranging from about 50 to about 110.

8. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 5, wherein the dielectric layer has an equivalent oxide thickness ( $t_{eq}$ ) of less than 3 Angstroms.

9. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) An electronic device comprising:

a substrate; and

a dielectric layer disposed on the substrate, the dielectric layer containing a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Tb, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Tb contains oxygen in addition to oxygen in TiO<sub>x</sub> ~~has an oxygen content supplemented during formation of the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Tb by ion-assisted electron beam evaporation.~~

10. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 9, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer has a Tb concentration of between about 10% and about 30% of the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer.

11. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 9, wherein the dielectric layer has a dielectric constant ranging from about 50 to about 110.

12. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 9, wherein the dielectric layer has an equivalent oxide thickness ( $t_{eq}$ ) in the range from about 1.5 Angstroms to about 5 Angstroms.

13. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) An electronic device comprising:

a substrate; and

a dielectric layer disposed on the substrate, the dielectric layer containing a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Dy, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Dy contains oxygen in addition to oxygen in TiO<sub>x</sub> ~~has an oxygen content supplemented during formation of the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Dy by ion-assisted electron beam evaporation.~~

14. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 13, wherein the dielectric layer has a Dy concentration of between about 10% and about 30% of the dielectric layer.

15. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 13, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer has a dielectric constant ranging from about 50 to about 110.
16. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 13, wherein the dielectric layer has an equivalent oxide thickness ( $t_{eq}$ ) of less than 20 Angstroms.
17. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) A transistor comprising:  
a source region disposed in a substrate;  
a drain region disposed in the substrate;  
a body region located between the source region and the drain region;  
a dielectric layer disposed on the body region between the source region and the drain region, the dielectric layer containing a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with a lanthanide, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with the lanthanide contains oxygen in addition to oxygen in TiO<sub>x</sub> ~~has an oxygen content supplemented during formation of the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Nd by ion-assisted electron beam evaporation;~~ and  
a gate coupled to the dielectric layer.
18. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) The transistor of claim 17, wherein the dielectric layer containing the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with the lanthanide includes a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with one or more of Nd, Tb, and or Dy.
19. (Withdrawn) The transistor of claim 17, wherein the dielectric layer is substantially amorphous.
20. (Withdrawn) The transistor of claim 17, wherein the dielectric layer exhibits a dielectric constant in the range from about 50 to about 110.
21. (Withdrawn) The transistor of claim 17, wherein the dielectric layer exhibits an equivalent oxide thickness ( $t_{eq}$ ) in the range from about 1.5 Angstroms to about 5 Angstroms.

22. (Withdrawn) The transistor of claim 17, wherein the dielectric layer exhibits an equivalent oxide thickness ( $t_{eq}$ ) of less than 3 Angstroms.
23. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) The transistor of claim 17, wherein the transistor further includes:
- a floating gate situated between the body region and the gate; and
  - a floating gate dielectric disposed on the floating gate with the gate disposed on the floating gate dielectric, the floating gate dielectric having a  $\text{TiO}_x$  layer doped with a lanthanide, ~~wherein the  $\text{TiO}_x$  layer is formed by ion-assisted electron beam evaporation.~~
24. (Withdrawn) The transistor of claim 17, wherein the transistor is a floating gate transistor.
25. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) A capacitor comprising:
- a first conductive layer disposed on a substrate;
  - a dielectric layer disposed on the first conductive layer, the dielectric layer containing a  $\text{TiO}_x$  layer doped with a lanthanide, wherein the  $\text{TiO}_x$  layer doped with the lanthanide contains oxygen in addition to oxygen in  $\text{TiO}_x$  ~~has an oxygen content supplemented during formation of the  $\text{TiO}_x$  layer doped with Nd by ion-assisted electron beam evaporation;~~ and
  - a second conductive layer disposed on the dielectric layer.
26. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) The capacitor of claim 25, wherein the dielectric layer containing the  $\text{TiO}_x$  layer doped with the lanthanide includes a  $\text{TiO}_x$  layer doped with one or more of Nd, Tb, ~~and~~ or Dy.
27. (Withdrawn) The capacitor of claim 25, wherein the dielectric layer is substantially amorphous.
28. (Withdrawn) The capacitor of claim 25, wherein the dielectric layer exhibits a dielectric constant in the range from about 50 to about 110.

29. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) A memory comprising:

a number of access transistors, each access transistor having a source region disposed in a substrate, a drain region disposed in the substrate, and a gate, at least one access transistor including a dielectric layer disposed on the substrate with the gate disposed on the dielectric layer, the dielectric layer containing a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with a lanthanide, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with the lanthanide contains oxygen in addition to oxygen in TiO<sub>x</sub> ~~has an oxygen content supplemented during formation of the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Nd by ion assisted electron beam evaporation;~~

a number of word lines coupled to a number of the gates of the number of access transistors;

a number of source lines coupled to a number of the source regions of the number of access transistors; and

a number of bit lines coupled to a number of the drain regions of the number of access transistors.

30. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) The memory of claim 29, wherein the dielectric layer containing the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with the lanthanide includes a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with one or more of Nd, Tb, ~~and~~ or Dy.

31. (Withdrawn) The memory of claim 29, wherein the dielectric layer is substantially amorphous.

32. (Withdrawn) The memory of claim 28, wherein the dielectric layer exhibits a dielectric constant in the range from about 50 to about 110.

33. (Withdrawn) The memory of claim 28, wherein the memory is a dynamic random access memory.

34. (Withdrawn) The memory of claim 28, wherein the memory is a flash memory.

35. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) An electronic system, comprising:
- a processor;
  - a system bus; and
  - a memory array coupled to the processor by the system bus, the memory array including:
    - a number of access transistors, each access transistor having a source region disposed in a substrate, a drain region disposed in the substrate, and a gate, at least one access transistor including a dielectric layer disposed on the substrate with the gate disposed on the dielectric layer, the dielectric layer containing a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with a lanthanide, wherein the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with the lanthanide contains oxygen in addition to oxygen in TiO<sub>x</sub> ~~has an oxygen content supplemented during formation of the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with Nd by ion-assisted electron beam evaporation;~~
    - a number of word lines coupled to a number of the gates of the number of access transistors;
    - a number of source lines coupled to a number of the source regions of the number of access transistors; and
    - a number of bit lines coupled to a number of the drain regions of the number of access transistors.
36. (Withdrawn – Currently Amended) The electronic system of claim 35, wherein the dielectric layer containing the TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with the lanthanide includes a TiO<sub>x</sub> layer doped with one or more of Nd, Tb, ~~and~~ or Dy.
37. (Withdrawn) The electronic system of claim 35, wherein the dielectric layer is substantially amorphous having a dielectric constant in the range from about 50 to about 110.
38. (Withdrawn) The electronic system of claim 35, wherein the processor is a microprocessor.
39. (Withdrawn) The electronic system of claim 35, wherein the electronic system is an information handling system.

40. (Withdrawn) The electronic system of claim 35, wherein the electronic system is a computer.